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CONCEALED BUILDINGS OBSERVED, NO DEFENSES DISCERNABLE.

- B. HOUAY HOUP AREA:
- 1. ROUTE 19 APPEARS SERVICEABLE AND ACTIVELY MAINTAINED FROM DIEN BIEN PHU SW TO UTM TJ560394 APPROXIMATELY 9.8 NM WEST OF HOUAY HOUP.
- 2. AN ACTIVE VEHICULAR FORD ON THE NAM NOUA AT 2110N 10248E

  (UTM TJ726431) WAS OBSERVED INACTIVE ON PHOTOGRAPHY

  (REF C). THE APPROACHES WERE OBSERVED OVERGROWN AND IN DISUSE
  AT THAT TIME.
  - 3. A LANDSLIDE AREA ON ROUTE 19 AT UTM TJ659422 AND A COLLAPSED EMBANKMENT AT UTM TJ781453, OBSERVED IMPASSABLE (REF D), ARE NOW OBSERVED CLEARED AND USEABLE FOR VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.
  - 4. CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY, NEW SINCE (REF A), WAS OBSERVED AT UTM TJ560394 AND TJ552396 ADJACENT AND WEST OF THE MOTORABLE TERMINUS OF ROUTE 19 AND CONSISTS OF TRAIL WIDENING AND REALIGNMENT.
    - C. BOUN NEUA AREA:
  - 1. A NEW 3 NM SEGMENT OF MOTORABLE ROAD WAS OBSERVED EXTENDING NW FROM BOUN NEUA AIRFIELD 2139N 10155E (UTM RD011967) TO A SUSPECT STORAGE AREA AT UTM RD005974 WHERE THE ROAD DIVIDES, ONE SEGMENT

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EXTENDING NE TO UTM RDØ15983; THE SECOND SEGMENT EXTENDING NW TO UTM QD975996. APPROXIMATELY 12 PARTIALLY CONCEALED BUILDINGS WERE OBSERVED WITHIN THE SUSPECT STORAGE AREA AT UTM RDØØ5974.

THIS AREA WAS ACTIVE (REF A).

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- 2. A SUSPECT TELECOMMUNICATION LINE TRACE WAS OBSERVED PARALLEL TO ROUTE 49 APPROXIMATELY 4.8 NM SOUTH OF BOUN NEUA AT UTM QD98987Ø AND EXTENDING SOUTH TO UTM QD9548ØØ. A SECOND SEGMENT WAS OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 1.5 NM EAST OF THE LAOS/CHINA BORDER BETWEEN UTM QD88474Ø TO QD893751.
- 3. ROUTE 49 BETWEEN BAN NEUA, LAOS AND MAN-CHUANG, CHINA 2126N
  10140E (UTM QD775712) APPEARS TO BE MOTORABLE AND RECEIVING MODERATE
  TO HEAVY USE.
- D. THE SINGLE-LANE, IMPROVED, ALL WEATHER ROAD FIRST OBSERVED
  ON AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

  EXTENDING SOUTH FROM MANCHUANG, CHINA 2126N 10140E TO WITHIN 2 NM OF THE CHINA/LAOS BORDER
  APPEARS TO BE COMPLETED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A NEWLY OBSERVED
  3 NM SEGMENT AT THE SOUTHERN TERMINUS BETWEEN UTM QD845468 TO
  QD855446. A PROBABLE SINGLE LANE, DECK-TYPE BRIDGE WAS OBSERVED
  COMPLETED AT UTM QD850458. THE BRIDGE AND ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY
  WERE NOT DISCERNABLE ON PHOTOGRAPHY

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MAP REF: GEOGRAPHIC COORDS FROM USATC SERIES 200, SHEET S0616-16HL, S0616-17HL

UTM COORDS FROM AMS SERIES L7015, SHEET 5351111; L7012 SHEETS 53751; 537611, 5476111; 55741, III.

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